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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION SPECIFICATION

TRANSMISSOMETER SUPPORT TOWER ASSEMBLY

1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope.- This specification covers a small free-standing, bolted steel tower, platform, shelves, pipe railing, and associated items for subsequent erection on a prepared foundation and to be used for the support of the transmissometer projector or receiver.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 FAA documents.- The following FAA specification, standard and advisory circular of the issues specified in the invitation for bids on request for proposals, form a part of this specification.

2.1.1 FAA specification.-

FAA-D-1272 Instruction Booklets, Electronic Equipment

2.1.2 FAA standard.-

FAA-STD-013 Quality Control Program Requirements

2.1.3 FAA advisory circular.-

AC 150/5345-2 FAA Advisory Circular Specification for
L-810 Obstruction light.

2.2 Military and Federal publications.- The following Military and Federal publications, of the issue in effect on the date of the invitation for bids or request for proposals, form a part of this specification.

2.2.1 Military specifications.-

MIL-P-116	Preservation, Methods of
MIL-C-104	Crates, Wood, Lumber and Plywood Sheathed
MIL-C-3774	Crates, Wood Open, Capacity (12,000 to 16,000 lbs.)

2.2.2 Military standard.-

MIL-STD-129	Marking for Shipment and Storage
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2.2.3 Federal specifications.-

QQ-S-781	Strapping, Steel
WW-C-581	Conduit, Steel, Rigid Zinc Coated
PPP-B-601	Boxes, Wood Cleated Plywood
PPP-B-621	Boxes Wood Nailed and Lock Corner
PPP-B-636	Boxes, Fiberboard
PPP-C-650	Crates, Wood Open and Covered

2.2.4 Federal standard.-

Fed-Std-102	Preservation, Packaging and Packing Levels
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2.3 Other publications.- The following publications, of the issue in effect on the date of the invitation for bids or the request for proposals, form a part of this specification.

ASTM-A36	Structural Steel
ASTM-A120	Black and Hot-Dipped Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe for Ordinary Uses, Spec. for
ASTM-123	Hot Dip Galvanizing
ASTM-307	Low Carbon Steel Externally and Internally Threaded

(Copies of this specification and other applicable FAA documents may be obtained from the Contracting Officer in the Federal Aviation Administration Office issuing the invitation for bids or request for proposals. Requests should fully identify material desired, i.e., specification, standard, amendment, and circular number and dates. Requests should cite the invitation for bids, request for proposals, or the contract involved or other use to be made of the requested material.)

(Information on obtaining copies of Federal specifications and standards may be obtained from General Services Administration offices in Atlanta; Auburn, Wash.; Boston; Chicago; Denver; Fort Worth; Kansas City, Mo.; Los Angeles; New Orleans; New York; San Francisco; and Washington, D.C.)

(Single copies of Military specifications and standards may be obtained from Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C. 20590, Attn: Contracting Officer. Requests should cite the invitation for bids, request

for proposals, or contract for which the material is needed. Mail requests, if found acceptable, will be forwarded to a Military supply depot for filling, hence, ample time should be allowed.)

(The ASTM publications may be obtained from the American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.)

3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Construction.- The transmissometer supporting tower assembly shall be fabricated in accordance with the attached Drawings No. D-5855-6, -7, -8, and C-5855-9. The contractor shall furnish all items shown or indicated on the attached drawings. The assembly shall consist of the supporting tower, ladder, platform, railing, safety chain, shelves and assembly, obstruction lights and all the related accessories and hardware to provide a complete assembly. An excess of 10% over the actual number of bolts, washers, and nuts required to erect the tower shall be provided to take care of accidental loss or damage. The initial tower assembly of the contract shall be erected without foundation for inspection at the Contractor's Plant in the presence of the Government's representative. The parts and material shall conform to Drawing C-5855-9.

3.2 Materials

3.2.1 Tower platform and shelves.- The braces, supports and sheet metal shall conform to Specification ASTM-A36; it shall be new structural steel free from rust, scale, and imperfections. The hexagonal steel nuts, hexagonal head bolts, and washers shall conform to Specification ASTM-A307. The foundation anchor rods and eye bolts shall conform to Specification ASTM-A307.

3.2.2 Rail and fittings.- The pipe posts shall be "double extra strong" pipe and the rails shall be "standard weight" pipe conforming to Specification ASTM-A120. The conduit shall conform to Specification WW-C-581. The rail fittings shall be one-piece slip-fitting type with recessed set screws, to be tightened by means of a hexagonal wrench, to insure no injury to personnel. The fittings shall be of sufficient length that the set screws engage the pipe railing not less than 3/4-inch from the ends of the pipe. The plates to which the posts are welded shall conform to Specification ASTM-A36.

3.2.3 Personnel safety chain.- A guard chain shall be provided as a personnel safety device to close the access opening in the rail. It shall consist of a galvanized coil type chain of sufficient length to close the opening. The safe working load of the chain and attachments shall be not less than 550 pounds. A plated bolt type harness snap shall be attached to one end of the chain. The other end of the chain shall be attached to the center side of the rail opening by means of a galvanized eyebolt. A second galvanized eyebolt shall be attached to the corner pipe support of the railing. These eyebolts shall be mounted so as not to reduce the opening nor to provide protruding edges.

3.2.4 Obstruction light.- A dual medium screw base socket obstruction light meeting the requirements of Circular AC 150/5345-2 shall be furnished, complete with two multiple lamps, 116 watt, 120 volt, C-9 filament, A-21, clear bulb, medium screw base.

3.3 Assembly instructions and parts list.- The contractor shall provide in accordance with Specification FAA-D-1272, complete erection drawings and such instructions as are required for easy erection of the tower assembly by common labor. These drawings shall be based on piece marks (or numbers) stamped in the various members. Each drawing shall have a reference table showing number of pieces, size of each piece, and the referenced piece marks. These assembly instructions shall be printed on 8 by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch or 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 11-inch white offset book paper. The contractor and Government inspector shall use the draft of these instructions for assembling the initial unit to determine the completeness and adequacy of the instructions. The parts list to be included in these instructions shall include everything detailed on Drawing C-5855-9. Two complete sets of the erection instructions and drawings shall be carefully packaged with each tower assembly in a manner to insure against loss or damage and in a readily accessible location; five sets of the inspection procedures, instructions and erection drawings shall be provided to the Contracting Officer for approval prior to production.

3.4 Finish.- All steel parts of the tower, ladder and railing shall be hot dip galvanized after fabrication in accordance with Specification ASTM-A123. All bolts, nuts and washers shall be cadmium plated or hot dip galvanized in accordance with Specification ASTM-A153.

3.5 Workmanship.- Workmanship shall be in accordance with high grade commercial practice for this type of equipment. All welds shall be carefully ground smooth, particularly those on the foot plates, to allow for close fitting of parts. Care shall be exercised in welding the two shelves to assure that they remain smooth and flat after fabrication. All holes shall be free from burrs. All sharp edges shall be removed from steel parts. Bolt holes shall be drilled or punched in such position in the members that there will be adequate clearance for use of a common type wrench for installing nuts or bolts inserted from the exterior. Holes for bolts connecting adjoining members shall line up accurately at assembly without necessity of drifting. Holes shall be punched or drilled 1/16-inch larger than the nominal bolt diameter. Adjoining members shall form tight, well fitting joints without introducing additional stresses when bolts are tightened. Washers shall be used where specified. Outside angles of all cross braces shall be cut at a 45 degree angle.

3.6 Nameplate.- Each tower shall be provided with a nameplate in accordance with Drawing B-21216.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

4.1 Quality control requirements.- The contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection program in accordance with Standard FAA-STD-013.

4.2 Initial unit.- The contractor shall fabricate an initial unit of the tower. He shall notify the Contracting Officer sufficiently in advance of completion to allow for travel of an inspector to the contractor's plant. The Government Inspector will witness the complete assembly of the tower by the contractor's personnel. If acceptable, this tower will become one of the lot covered by the contract. In the event serious defects are discovered by the inspector, he will reject the tower unless modifications are made to correct the defects without sacrificing any performance characteristics required of the tower. Should the tower be rejected after being modified, a second model shall be fabricated correcting all defects noted in the first sample tower and the same procedure of testing shall be followed with the second sample tower.

4.3 Inspection.

4.3.1 Visual and dimensional.

4.3.1.1 Construction.- The supporting tower assembly shall be inspected for conformance with the contract drawings and for completeness of component parts including the specified excess of bolts, nuts and washers. After acceptance of the initial unit, it will not be required to assemble each tower.

4.3.1.2 Materials.- The component parts of the tower assembly shall be inspected for compliance with the individual material specifications. The various materials are steel, bolts, nuts and washers, pipe and conduit, platform and fittings, and obstruction lights.

4.3.1.3 Assembly instructions and parts list.- The Government inspector shall verify that the piece marking on the pieces agrees with the assembly instructions and also appears in the parts list. The two sets of assembly instructions should be clearly labeled and packaged so that they may be readily available. The inspector shall insure the assembly instructions are complete and adequate for a workman to follow without skilled supervision. Any lack of clarity in the instructions will be determined when the initial unit is assembled.

4.3.1.4 Finishing.- The braces, shelves, and other steel components shall be examined to determine the following: the galvanizing is adequate; it was done after all fabrication was complete; the coating has not been damaged in handling. The nuts, bolts, washers, anchor bolts, eyebolts shall all be examined for adequacy of finish.

4.3.1.5 Workmanship inspection.- The welds will be inspected for finish and cleaning prior to galvanizing. The shelves will be checked for fit and flatness. The fit and alignment of components including bolt clearances will be determined on the initial unit during assembly. All components will be inspected for the removal of sharp edges and the burring of holes prior to galvanizing.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

5.1 General.- The Transmissometer Support Tower Assembly shall be prepared for delivery in accordance with the levels specified (see 6.2).

5.1.1 Requirements.- All components except the ladder shall be shipped unassembled, properly identified, and made ready for quick assembly in the field with the use of common tools. The obstruction light and lamps shall be packaged separately. A master packing list (itemized) shall accompany the shipment with a copy securely attached to the bill of lading indicating the number of pieces matched with the container in which each is placed. All boxes, bundles, crates, etc., of each support shall be marked indicating the number of the item and the total items of the complete support. All structural bulky parts, angle iron supports, platform, pipe railings, etc., shall be bundled as applicable, and strapped to a skidded platform to facilitate handling. Individual boxes, bundles, crates, etc., shall contain the same parts as like numbered items of a companion support. (Two supports comprise an operational set.)

5.1.2 Preservation and packaging.

5.1.2.1 Level A.- All structural tower parts shall be packaged Method III in accordance with the requirements of Specification MIL-P-116. The quantity of parts or assemblies per unit container shall be restricted to the weight and size limitations of the container selected. (See 5.1.3.1). The obstruction light and lamps shall be individually packaged Method III per Specification MIL-P-116. All small hardware parts, nuts, bolts, angle braces, reinforcement plates, etc., generally classified as mounting hardware, shall be boxed in wood containers conforming to Specification PPP-B-601 or PPP-B-621. (See 5.1.3.1). Two sets of instruction (installation) booklets shall be packaged Method ICI in accordance with Specification MIL-P-116. These shall be placed in a readily accessible location, preferably in the obstruction light and lamp box, and shall be indicated on the master packing list.

5.1.2.2 Level C.- In addition to the general requirements of paragraph 5.1.1, the support assembly shall be prepared for delivery in a manner that will afford adequate protection against corrosion, deterioration, and physical damage during shipment from supply source to the first receiving activity. This may conform to the suppliers commercial practice when such meets the requirements of this level.

5.1.3 Packing

5.1.3.1 Level A.- The Transmissometer Support Tower Assembly components, packaged as above shall be packed in shipping containers conforming to the requirements of the specification listed below. Closure shall be as prescribed in the applicable container specifications or appendix thereto.

PPP-B-601	Wood Cleated Plywood - Overseas Type
PPP-B-621	Wood, Nailed and Lock Corner - Overseas, Class 2
PPP-B-636	Fiberboard - Weather Resistant

PPP-C-650	Crates, Wood, Open and Covered
MIL-C-104	Crates, Wood, Lumber and Plywood Sheathed
MIL-C-3774	Crates, Wood, Open, Capacity (12,000 to 16,000 lbs.)

5.1.3.2 Level C.- The Transmissometer Support Tower Assembly components, preserved and packaged as above, shall be packed in containers acceptable to the common carrier which insures safe delivery to its first destination in a satisfactory condition at the lowest applicable rate. Suppliers commercial practice is acceptable provided these requirements are met and are in compliance with the Uniform Freight and National Motor Freight Classification Rules or Regulations dependent upon mode of transportation.

5.1.4 Marking.- In addition to any special marking specified herein, or by contract or order, all unit and exterior shipping containers shall be marked in accordance with the requirements of MIL-STD-129.

6. NOTES

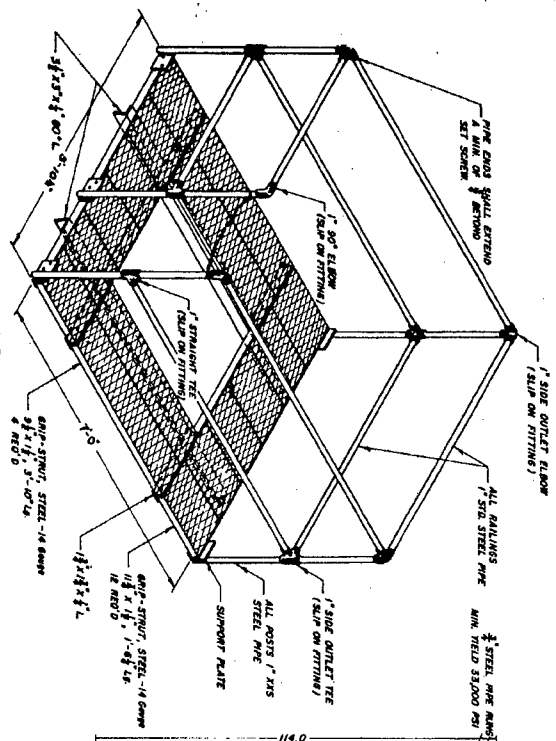
6.1 Intended use.- This supporting tower is used to mount the transmissometer projector or receiver. The alignment is critical but must be corrected while in service, therefore the supporting tower must maintain the orientation of the instruments while the technician is servicing the instrument.

6.2 Ordering data.- Procurement documents should specify the following, along with any other necessary data as applicable, to be included by the preparing office.

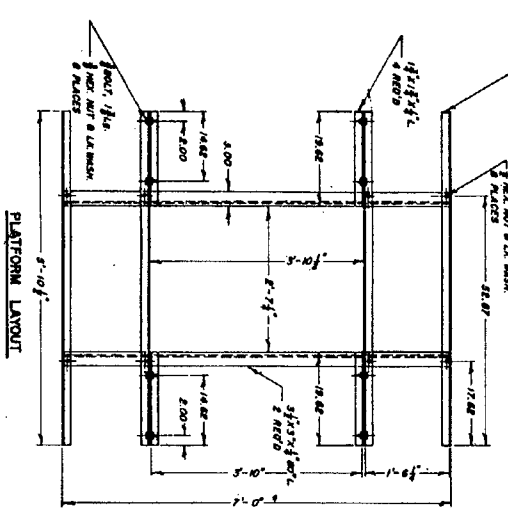
- (a) Title, number and date of this specification.
- (b) Levels of preservation, packaging and packing required and marking (see section 5).
- (c) Method of preservation and packaging (see 5.1.2.1).

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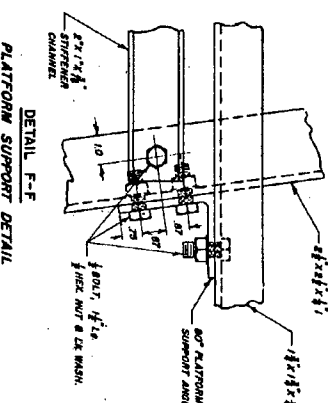
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Drawing B-21216K



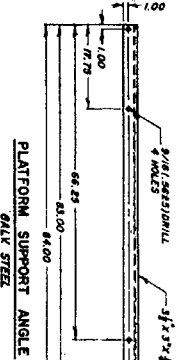
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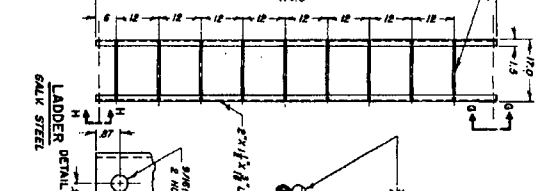
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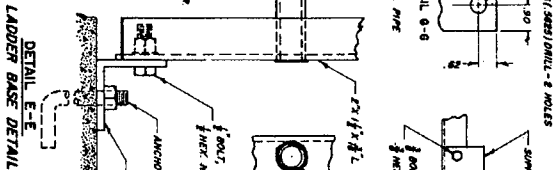
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PLATFORM SUPPORT DETAIL



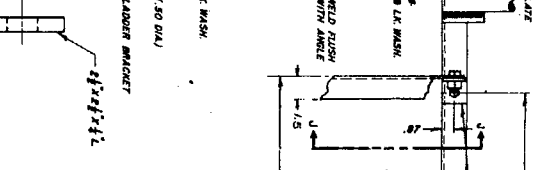
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GALV STEEL



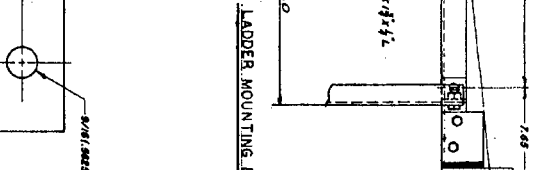
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GALV STEEL



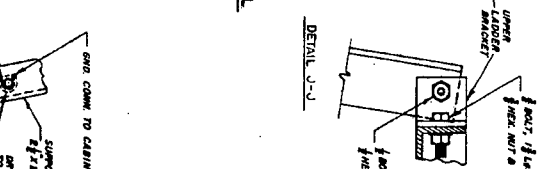
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LADDER MOUNTING DETAIL
DETAIL J-J

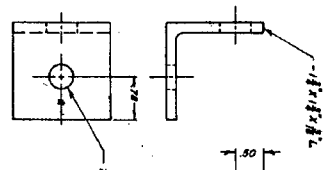


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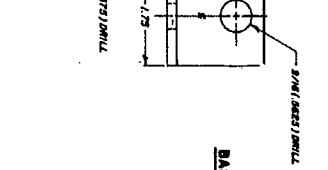


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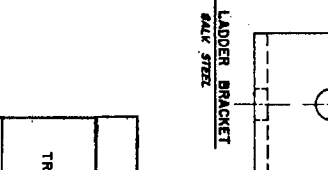
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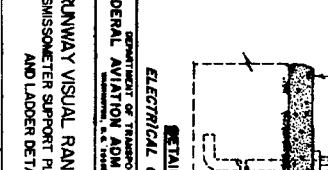
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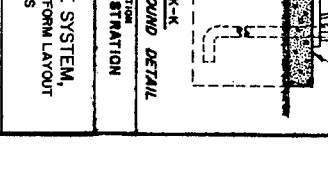
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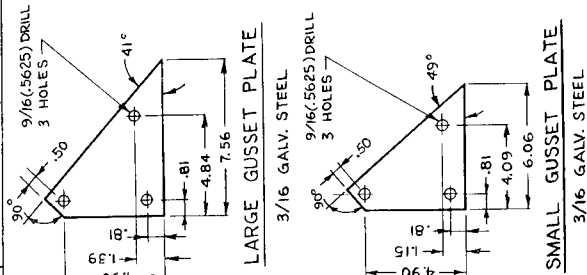
BILL OF MATERIAL

Description	Size Of Material	Finish	Spec.	Remarks
 Tee Fitting (electrical, back cover & gasket)	For 1" Fitting	Galv		See "FRONT ELEV." (sheet 6) Crouse-Hinds No. TB37
 90° Fitting (electrical, back cover & gasket)	For 1" Fitting	↓		See "FRONT ELEV." (sheet 6) Crouse-Hinds No. LB37
Electrical Ground Connector	1 1/2" X 3/8"			Cable To Flat Surface. Type With Looped Groove To Clamp Wire Connector 3/8" Bronze Bolt & Lk. Wash. O-Z Electrical Mfg Co. Gnd. Conn. No. QGO; For No. 6 AWG Stranded Wire See Detail K-K (sheet 7)
Electrical Ground Clamp	Fits 3/8" Gnd Rod			Bronze, Heavy Duty, Pressure Type Tightened By Set Screw See Detail K-K (sheet 7)
Ground Rod	1/2" Dia. Steel Rod, 8' Lg.	Copper		See Detail K-K (sheet 7)
Ground Wire	No. 6 AWG, 9' Lg.			Bare Copper Wire See Detail K-K (sheet 7)
Obstruction Light				Dual Type With Bottom Entry L-8IG. See "FRONT ELEV." (sheet 6)
Lamp (for obstruction light)	116 Watt, 120 Volt	Galv.	A-307	10% over actual requirement
1/2" Hex. Head Bolt	1 1/2" Lg., Steel			
3/8" Hex. Nut	Steel			
1/2" Hex. Head Bolt	1 1/2" Lg., Steel			
3/8" Hex. Nut	Steel			
1/2" Lockwasher (spring type)	Steel			
3/8" Lockwasher (spring type)	Steel			
5/16"-8 CRG Bolt (see note 2)	2 1/2" Lg., Steel			
5/16"-18 Hex. Nut (see note 2)	Steel			
5/16"-8 Flat Washer (see note 2)	Steel			
1/4" Eyebolt	Steel			
1/4" Hex. Nut	Steel	↓		
1/4" Lockwasher (spring type)	Steel	↓		

NOTES:

1. ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE SHOULD BE MANUFACTURER SHOWN OR EQUAL.

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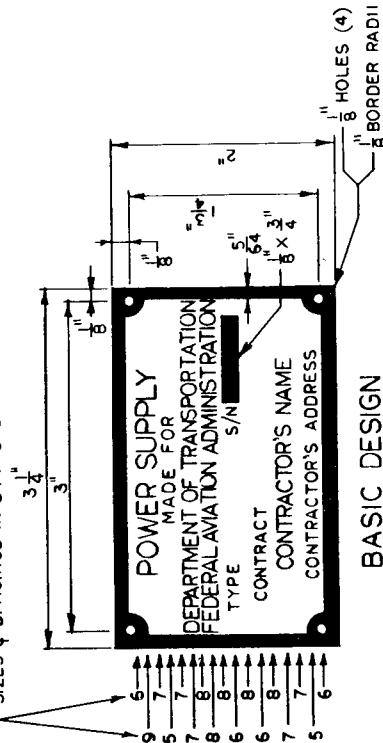
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TRANSMISSOMETER
SUPPORT

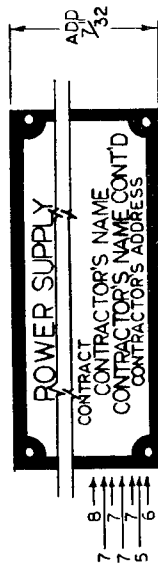
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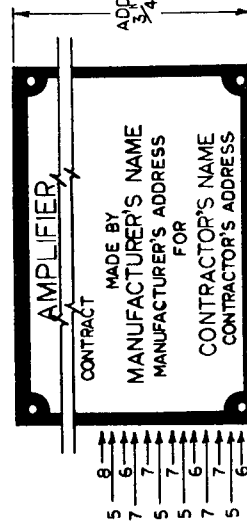
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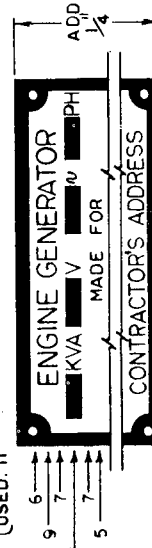
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TWO-LINE EQUIPMENT TITLE

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NOTES:

1. ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS:
0.03 INCH MIN. ALUMINUM WITH OVERALL WATER-DIP LACQUER (PROHIBITED ON ENGINE GENERATORS AND EQUIPMENT INSTALLED OUT OF DOORS),
OR 0.03 INCH NICKEL SILVER (ANY USE).
PROCESS FOR BOTH OF ABOVE: REVERSE ETCHED; THE FOLLOWING TO BE RAISED, WITH DULL METAL FINISH: BORDER, SERIAL NUMBER AND RATING DATA. BLANKS, ALSO ALL LETTERS AND NUMBERS EXCEPT SERIAL NUMBER; DEPRESSED: BACKGROUND FINISHED IN BLACK ENAMEL.
OR 0.02 INCH MINIMUM PHOTOSENSITIVE ANODIZED ALUMINUM PROCESSED FOR WHITE METAL CHARACTERS WITH JET BLACK BACKGROUND; PHOTOSENSITIVE SILVER COMPOUNDS SHALL BE IMBEDDED WITHIN THE OXIDE LAYER, AND IMAGE SHALL BE SEALED IN OXIDE LAYER BY CHEMICAL TREATMENT (ANY USE EXCEPT PROHIBITED ON ENGINE GENERATORS).
SERIAL NUMBER: ENGRAVE OR DIE STAMP ALSO APPLIES WHERE BLANKS ARE USED FOR RATING DATA (SEE TWO-LINE TITLE).
3. IF NO CONTRACT NUMBER, SUBSTITUTE "ORDER NO." FOR "CONTRACT".
4. NAMEPLATE SIZE MAY BE REDUCED WHERE MOUNTING SPACE IS LIMITED. ALL DIMENSIONS AND LETTER SIZES SHALL BE REDUCED APPROXIMATELY IN PROPORTION, EXCEPT THAT HOLE SIZE, HOLE CORNER DIMENSIONS, AND MARGINAL RADII, SHALL REMAIN $\frac{1}{8}$ INCH.
5. EQUIPMENT TITLE, TYPE DESIGNATION, AND SERIAL NUMBERS WILL BE FURNISHED BY GOV'T. AFTER AWARD OF CONTRACT.
6. TOLERANCE ON DIMENSIONS ± 0.010 INCH, EXCEPT HOLE SIZE AND HOLE-TO-HOLE SPACING ± 0.005 INCH.
7. SUBCONTRACTOR NAMEPLATE DESIGN IS MANDATORY WHERE EQUIPMENT IS MANUFACTURED BY SUBCONTRACTOR.
8. CHARACTER GROUPS TO BE CENTERED.
9. CONDENSED TYPE MAY BE USED.

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